

THE COCHIN TENANCY ACT (AMENDMENT) BILL—(cont.) 833

Deputy President: If Mr. Ikkanda Warriar is also to be included, then the number of the Select Committee will become 8. The number should not go above 7.

Mr. M. K. Devassy (Adur): Then I would suggest to delete the name of Advocate-General.

Deputy President: The Advocate-General must necessarily be there.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu (Kunnamkulam): Then the Committee may consist of those whom I mentioned first.

Motion put and carried

Deputy President: The Diwan Peishkar will be the Chairman. The Committee will report within one month.

The House rose for lunch at 1 p.m. and re-assembled at 2-30 p.m. with the Deputy President in the Chair.

The Cochin Tenancy Act (Amendment) Bill

(Mr. V. J. Mathai)

Mr. V. J. Mathai (Planters): Sir, I do not think there is any necessity for moving the Cochin Tenancy Act Amendment Bill standing in my name since the Government has been pleased to enact legislation to bring about the purpose of my Bill, and since it has already been placed on the statute book. I will be failing in my duty if I do not make use of this opportunity to thank the Government for what it has done to the *panayamdars* and I should also thank all those who are responsible for piloting the Bill through this Council, especially the Government Secretary, the Advocate-General and the Diwan Peishkar. The thanks of the *panayam* tenants are due to them also. In view of the fact, therefore, that there is already an enactment on more or less the same lines as my Bill, I do not wish to introduce the Bill.

Bill withdrawn

The Cochin Tenancy Act (Amendment) Bill

Mr. M. K. Devassy (Adur): Sir, in view of the fact that most of the portions of my Bill are contained in the Cochin Cultivating *Verumpattam* Bill, I do not wish to introduce the Cochin Tenancy Amendment Bill.

Bill withdrawn